

HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPANY  
Intellectual Property Administration  
P. O. Box 272400  
Fort Collins, Colorado 80527-2400

PATENT APPLICATION

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 30970032US

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

IN THE  
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

DEC 01 2004

Inventor(s): Richard Arthur BICKERS et al

Confirmation No.:

Application No.: 09/917,782

Examiner: Khanh PHAM

Filing Date: Jul 31, 2001

Group Art Unit: 2167

Title: Centralised Data Position Information Storage System and Method

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) 37 CFR 1.114

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

*NOTE: 37 CFR 1.114 is effective on May 20, 2000. If the above- application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under CFR 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.*

Submission under 37 CFR 1.114

(X) Previously submitted:

(X) Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on Sept 01, 2004.  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

( ) Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

( ) Enclosed:

( ) Amendment/Reply  
( ) Affidavit(s)/Declarations(s)  
( ) Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

Miscellaneous

( ) Suspension of action is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months.  
The fee for this Suspension is (37 CFR 1.17(i)) \$130.00  
( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTINUED EXAMINATION TRANSMITTAL  
(RCE) (37 CFR 1.114) (continued)**

**ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 30970032US**

RCE filing fee \$790.00

A Petition for Extension of Time

<input type="checkbox"/>	one month	\$110.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	two months	\$430.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	three months	\$980.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	four months	\$1530.00

Please charge to Deposit Account 08-2025 the sum of \$1770.00. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees.

A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Date of Deposit: OR

I hereby certify that this paper is being transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office facsimile number on (703) 872-9306

Number of pages: 6

Typed Name: PAMELA CEI

Signature: P.C.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Arthur BICKERS et al

By Allan M. Lowe

**ALLAN M. LOWE**

Attorney/Agent for Applicant(s)  
Reg. No. 19641

Date: Dec 01, 2004

Telephone No.: (703) 684-1111